

# What's Happening Wednesday

## Kansas Immunization Program



June 22, 2016

**VFC Nurse on Call** - Nurse on call is April Broxterman at [abroxterman@kdheks.gov](mailto:abroxterman@kdheks.gov).  
The nurse on call can also be reached at 785-296-5592.



**Chief Chat** – Now that summer is upon us, there is no doubt many are in the process of preparing for the back to school vaccination rush and planning for the influenza vaccination push. This is a good time to review standing orders and to assure everything is in place and within best practice parameters. The Immunize Action Coalition has a great tool available to assess and create standing order best practices. You may access the tool by [clicking here](#). If you have not reviewed and updated your standing orders lately, this would be a good time to do so. Kansas has many colleges and universities scattered throughout the state ranging in size from very small to very large, but all have one thing in common, influenza can become a problem very quickly on any of these campuses. The IAC Express #1251 has a great article about a recent report released from the National Foundation for Infectious Diseases. We are sharing the article for your review which includes a link to the full report. Have you considered partnering with a college or university in your area to target influenza vaccination this year?

### **NFID releases report: “Addressing the Challenges of Influenza Vaccination on U.S. College Campuses”**

The National Foundation for Infectious Diseases (NFID) recently released a report titled [Addressing the Challenges of Influenza Vaccination on U.S. College Campuses](#). The report explores the low rate of influenza vaccination for college students and strategies to address it. The overview of the report is reprinted below.

*According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), annual vaccination is the best way to reduce the chances that an individual will get influenza (flu). Yet on U.S. college campuses, flu vaccination rates remain strikingly low, hovering between eight and 39 percent, and falling dramatically short of the 70 percent Healthy People 2020 target recommendation as well as the American College Health Association (ACHA) Healthy Campus 2020 target goal of approximately 50 percent.*

*Motivating college students to get an annual flu vaccination remains a public health challenge; therefore, the National Foundation for Infectious Diseases (NFID) convened a College Influenza Stakeholder Summit that included subject matter experts from academia, student organizations, professional medical associations, patient advocacy organizations, and industry (see page 8 for a complete list of participating organizations) to better understand the causes behind this vaccination gap. By bringing together these experts, the Summit sought to better understand the key barriers that prevent college students from getting an annual flu vaccine, as well as to identify strategies which would help students both recognize their risk and motivate them to get vaccinated.*

Finally, there will be no Chief Chat in next week's What's Happening Wednesday as Phil will be on vacation. Chief Chat will return on July 6<sup>th</sup>. Please have a safe and enjoyable July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration.

**Phil Griffin, Deputy Director, Bureau of Disease Control and Prevention**

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## **Adjusted Vaccine Ordering Schedule – June and July**

**Due to the 4th Holiday we have extended the order deadlines to the following dates:**

**For the July ordering period orders will be accepted until **July 11th, 2016****

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## VFC Question of the Week–

**Q: The clinic has received two datalogger monitors from Sensitech. What steps do I need to take?**

- A:**
- Download the monitors that are currently recording temperatures
  - Begin using the new monitors

If a clinic is using a datalogger monitor that was purchased by the clinic always select “Private” when doing a download for this monitor. Make sure that download information is complete and accurate.

### DID YOU KNOW

In case of a power failure or an event that results in public funded vaccines being stored outside of the recommended temperature range the clinic staff has the responsibility to act immediately and follow these steps:

1. Secure the door.
2. Keep vaccine in the unit.
3. Quarantine vaccine and label “Do Not Use”.
4. Document vaccine antigens, manufacturer and expiration date that were involved.
5. Document date and time of the temperature excursion, how long the temperatures were out of range and the extreme temperature reading (highest and lowest reading).
6. Notify Regional Nurse Consultant or on call nurse 785-296-5592.
7. Contact Vaccine Manufacturer to report the temperature excursion per KIP nurse guidance.
8. Obtain manufacturer written guidance attesting the integrity of the vaccine.
9. Do not leave vaccine in a malfunctioning unit for an extended amount of time. Activate the emergency response and transport vaccine to the designated backup storage unit.
10. Vaccine temperatures must be monitored with a certified calibrated thermometer at all times in an appropriate storage unit or qualified shipping container.
11. Submit to KIP a summary of the event and corrective action taken.
12. Request Vaccine return label in KSWebIZ if doses are determined to be non-viable.
13. Vaccine doses wasted due to avoidable waste are required to be replaced by the provider with private vaccine on a dose for dose basis.



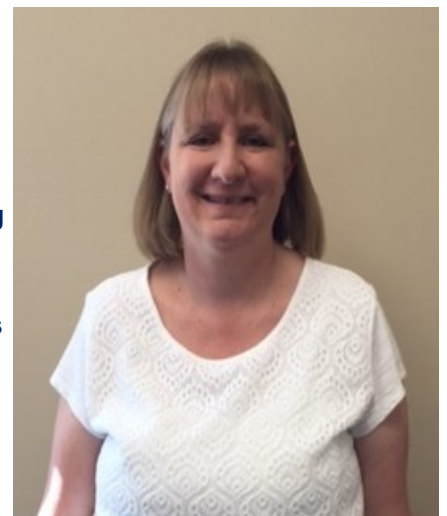
Becky Prall is the new Northeast Regional Immunization Nurse Consultant and will be based in Johnson County. Her email is [bprall@kdheks.gov](mailto:bprall@kdheks.gov) and her phone is 785-213-2972

### Have you met the new Regional Immunization Nurses?

**Becky and Dena are participating in training with Patti Kracht (AFIX Coordinator and Nurse Educator) this week, then will be continuing training over the next few weeks with a combination of the other nurses.**

**Both are joining the program with experience having worked in VFC provider offices prior to joining KDHE. We believe their experience from a private provider office and community health center will add to the experience we have currently on our nurse consultant team.**

**Please join us in welcoming Dena and Becky to the Kansas Immunization Program.**



Dena Rueb is the new Southwest Regional Immunization Nurse Consultant and will be based in Ford County. Her email is [drueb@kdheks.gov](mailto:drueb@kdheks.gov) and her phone is 785-250-3292

## EPI UPDATE-

### *Vaccine-Preventable Disease Surveillance Indicators*

Monthly reports are published on the completeness and quality of specific surveillance indicators for vaccine-preventable diseases (VPDs) in Kansas. These indicators are based on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Manual for the Surveillance of Vaccine-Preventable Diseases. Progress towards these goals is reported to CDC. Data used for these reports are from cases reported to the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE). Each month, the completeness of measured indicators, timeliness for case acceptance, and the percentage of investigations that are completed on time are calculated and distributed to local health departments through the Epi Updates Newsletter. Improvements and lagging areas are highlighted in each report and the goal is to reach 90% or higher completion on all VPD indicators. Numbers for the month of May can be found in the June 2016 edition of the Epi Updates Newsletter ( [http://www.kdheks.gov/epi/epi\\_newsletter.htm](http://www.kdheks.gov/epi/epi_newsletter.htm) ).

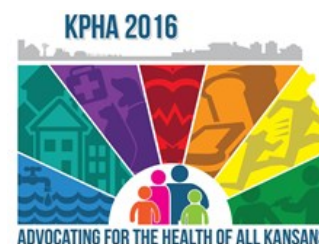
**Mychal Davis, MPH**

## APHA Public Health Nursing Scholarship Program-

The Public Health Nursing Section of the American Public Health Association invites BSN students who plan to engage in PHN practice, Graduate nursing students with a public health concentration, or Early Career Professional nurses in the field of public health (within 3 years of completion of degree) to submit an application to become a recipient of a PHN Scholarship to provide \$500.00 to assist in attendance at the 2016 Annual Meeting of the American Public Health Association.

This program provides a scholarship to students/nurses for the purpose of establishing meaningful connections in the public health nursing community, developing future PHN leaders, maximizing awardees experiences at the APHA annual meeting, and supporting involvement in the PHN Section. Once selected, applicants will be matched with and mentored by an experienced PHN. The mentorship experience is expected to enhance the students' or new professionals' role as a public health nurse.

Eligibility requirements, awardee responsibilities, and an application can be found [here](#):



## 2016 HPV vaccination toolkit available online from ACOG

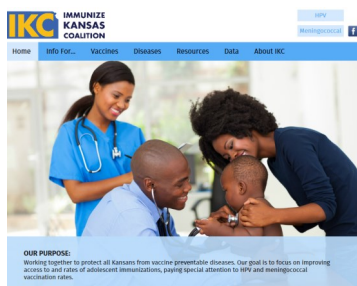
The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) released an [updated HPV vaccine resources toolkit](#) to help providers and their staff communicate the importance of HPV vaccination to patients. [The toolkit](#) includes many ready-to-use resources and frequently asked questions.

### **Related Links:**

- \* ACOG's [Toolkit: Human Papillomavirus Vaccination 2016](#)
- \* "Dear Colleague" letter from AAFP, AAP, ACOG, ACP, CDC, and IAC: [Give a strong recommendation for HPV vaccine to increase uptake!](#)
- \* CDC's [You Are the Key to HPV Cancer Prevention campaign](#) web section
- \* Vaccine Education Center's [Questions and Answers About HPV and the Vaccine](#)

## Immunize KANSAS Coalition Website and Facebook Page Launched—

IKC has launched their brand new coalition website and Facebook page! One feature of this new site is you can find information by type of vaccine, by disease, by population /sector as well as other resources such as their HPV toolkit, clinician resources, printable educational materials and other user friendly links. You will also find a "Print & Share Gallery" and a Data Dashboard that includes easy to read charts and graphics that not only contain data specific to Kansas. It also compares Kansas to the United States averages by vaccines, doses and series. Remember to also search Facebook for the IKC page and stay up to date with the latest infographics, articles and other resources.



**Click here:**

<http://www.immunizekansascoalition.org>

and

[Facebook.com /ImmunizeKansasCoalition](https://www.facebook.com/ImmunizeKansasCoalition)



## Sensitech – Kansas VFC Program Updates

June 14, 2016

To all active Kansas VFC Program clinics,

This letter is to inform you that your Sensitech monitors may be due to expire at the end of July. If so, Sensitech will be sending new monitors to you starting the week of June 20<sup>th</sup>. You do not need to inform anyone if your monitors are about to expire. Sensitech tracks the monitor expiration date for you. If you do not receive them by end of day July 1<sup>st</sup>, please contact the Sensitech Program Manager, Collin Weingarten.

In addition to the monitor swap we wanted to provide you with some additional reminders:

- If you have any issues with your monitors or ColdStream please contact our Technical Services department at [support@sensitech.com](mailto:support@sensitech.com). Please do not contact the Project Manager (Collin Weingarten) regarding technical issues. The Project Manager is only able to provide trainings to use ColdStream.
- Do not set your freezer below -20c. Our monitors can only handle certain temperatures. If they get too cold they will stop functioning and will require us to replace them.
- Before you download, leave your monitors out of the fridge and freezer in a dry place for 15 minutes before you plug them in. The monitors should be stopped prior to this. If there is humidity within the monitor when you plug it in, it will cause the monitor to break and will require us to replace them.

For any questions regarding these updates please contact Collin Weingarten at [cweingarten@sensitech.com](mailto:cweingarten@sensitech.com) or 978-720-2685. Thank you very much for your continued participation in the Sensitech – Kansas VFC Monitoring Program.

## Registration open for CDC's 47th National Immunization Conference on September 13–15-

Registration is still open for the 47th National Immunization Conference (NIC), scheduled for September 13–15 at the Hilton Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia. The theme of the conference is Immunization: It Takes a Community. This three-day conference will include three plenary sessions, 12 breakout sessions, workshops, two immunization Q&A sessions, | posters, exhibits, and the Hilleman Lecture. The meeting will highlight the following major topics:

Adult Immunization

Immunization Information Systems

Programmatic Issues

Health and Risk Communications

Epidemiology and Surveillance

Childhood and Adolescent Immunization



2016  
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47<sup>th</sup> National Immunization Conference  
Atlanta, GA | 13–15 September 2016

IMMUNIZATION:  
*it takes a community*

There is no charge to attend the conference, but space is limited. The organizers recommend registering well in advance of the registration deadline of August 22, 2016, to guarantee availability.

[Access the conference web page.](#)

For questions related to the 47th NIC, email [NIPNIC@cdc.gov](mailto:NIPNIC@cdc.gov).



# KSWEBIZ Trainings



## Aggregate Inventory Training—**Mondays at 1 p.m., First Friday at 10:30 a.m.**

The Aggregate Inventory Training occurs the first Friday of every month from 10:30 -11:30 a.m. This call will go over the basics of the On Hand, Reconciliation (MIR submission) and Vaccine Ordering windows in KSWebIZ for Aggregate Users. Bring questions and examples of issues that your clinic is having with the end of the month reporting. **Please note:** this call is for KSWebIZ Aggregate Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/6598705111102500354>

Register now for the date that works best for you!

## Direct Entry Inventory Training— **Tuesdays at 1 p.m., First Friday at 12 p.m.**

The Direct Entry Inventory Training occurs the first Friday of every month from 12 -1 p.m. This call will go over the basics of the On Hand, Reconciliation (MIR submission) and Vaccine Ordering windows in KSWebIZ. Bring questions and examples of issues that your clinic is having with the end of the month reporting. **Please note:** this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Entry Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/4121654947304535298>

Register now for the date that works best for you!

## New User Training— **Thursdays at 2 p.m., Second Friday at 12 p.m.**

The New User Training occurs the second Friday of every month from 12 -1 p.m. This basic training is for new KSWebIZ users, or people who would like a simplified refresher training on how to use KSWebIZ. We will be going over log-in, adding history, administering vaccinations, printing consents and pink cards. If you are a new user, have a new token, or recently had a token transferred to you please take the time to sit in on this training! **Please note:** this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Register now for the date that works best for you! <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/1572841858584797442>

## School Module Training- **Third Friday at 12 p.m.**

The School Module Training occurs the third Friday of every month from 9 - 10 a.m. This basic training is for new KSWebIZ school module users, or people who would like a simplified refresher training. **Please note:** this call is for KSWebIZ School Module Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/8422671756415350273>

Register now for the date that works best for you!

## Reports Training- **Fourth Friday at 12 p.m.**

The Reports Training occurs the fourth Friday of every month from 12 - 1 p.m. This training is for KSWebIZ users who are wanting to learn more about the KSWebIZ Reports. We will be going over the various reporting sections and how to generate reports within these sections. We hope you have time to sit in on this training! **Please note:** this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Register now for the date that works best for you! <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/568840407867357186>

**NOTE:** There have been additional trainings scheduled during the week for New User Training, Direct Inventory Training and Aggregate Inventory Training. The new times can be found above and when you register and select a specific training time. If these times do not work with your schedule or you have additional training needs please reach out to the IIS trainer [msims@kdhhs.gov](mailto:msims@kdhhs.gov) or 785-296-0687

## Vaccine Information Statements–

Anthrax	3/10/10	MMR	4/20/12
Chickenpox	3/13/08	Tdap	2/24/15
DTaP/DT/DTP	5/17/07	MMRV	5/21/10
Hepatitis A	10/25/11	Multi-vaccine	11/05/15
Hepatitis B	2/02/12	PCV 13	11/05/15
Hib	4/2/15	PPSV	4/24/15
HPV9	3/31/16	Polio	11/8/11
HPV4 (Gardasil)	5/17/13	Rabies	10/6/09
HPV2 (Cervarix)	5/03/11	Rotavirus	4/15/15
Influenza (LAIV4)	8-07-15	Shingles	10/6/09
Influenza (IIV3 or IIV4)	8-07-15	Smallpox	10/01/09
Japan. enceph.	1/24/14	Td	2/24/15
MCV4/MPSV4	3/31/16	Typhoid	5/29/12
MenB	8/14/15	Yellow fever	3/30/11

## Vaccine Redistribution

Please email any additions or changes to be made on the Vaccine Redistribution lists with subject matter "Redistribution" to [vaccine@kdheks.gov](mailto:vaccine@kdheks.gov) or call toll free at 1-877-296-0464  
[http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/vaccine\\_redistribution.htm](http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/vaccine_redistribution.htm)

**REMINDERS:** Providers may place the excess doses on the KIP Redistribution list if:

- 1) The vaccine has a minimum of 90 days and a maximum of 365 days before the vaccine's expiration date;
- 2) The ordering provider is responsible for any doses which expire on the redistribution list that have not been accepted for transfer to another VFC provider;
- 3) Providers accepting vaccine from the redistribution list are responsible for using the doses once they are transferred. KIP encourages providers to accept only doses they can administer before the expiration date;
- 4) The transferring and receiving provider will document these doses on their monthly MIR/reconciliation reports as transferred vaccines.
- 5) Once vaccine is transferred please contact KIP to let us know so we can adjust the redistribution list by either deleting the line or by reducing the amount of doses.
- 6) All vaccines must be in full boxes
- 7) The KIP nurse consultant who is on call must be contacted prior to transferring vaccine
- 8) Providers are responsible for keeping KIP notified if there is a change in amount of doses available for redistribution.
- 9) When placing an order, you may be contacted if the vaccine you are trying to order is on the redistribution list.
- 10) Varicella and Proquad, will not be posted on the VFC or Private Vaccine Redistribution List. Frozen Varivax vaccines are very intolerant to out of range temperatures. To prevent potential vaccine waste the Kansas immunization Program requests that Varivax containing vaccines not be transferred to other providers. Questions regarding transporting vaccine call 877-296-0464 to request assistance.